#### ICANN Stockholm Meeting

Report of the Vice President and General Counsel 3 June 2001

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### Independent Review Policy

- Independent Review Policy (Art. III, Sec. 4(b)) adopted 10 March 2000
- Supporting Organizations to appoint 2 members each to Nominating Committee
- Six appointments completed 10 April 2001:
  - Tim Berners-Lee (PSO, 2 years)
  - Scott Hemphill (DNSO, 3 years)
  - Olivier Iteanu (DNSO, 2 years)
  - Ching-Yi Liu (ASO, 3 years)
  - Joon Kook Park (ASO, 2 years)
  - Houlin Zhao (PSO, 3 years)

### Independent Review Policy

- 22 May 2001—Notification of initial 9 IRP vacancies given to nominating committee
- 20 August 2001—Nominating committee to submit slate of 9 nominees
- Board to vote on whether to confirm slate
- Independent Review Panel to adopt rules of procedure
- Independent Review Panel in operation

# VeriSign Agreement Update

- 2 April 2001—ICANN Board approves revised VeriSign Agreements with revisions (centralized Whois commitment, greater advance notice, \$10000 license fee waived, sanctions program, etc.)
- 16 April 2001—Revisions implemented and agreements sent to Commerce Department
- 18 May 2001—Commerce Department approval (annual audits made mandatory, .net term reduced to 30 June 2005, possibly as early as 10 November 2003)
- 25 May 2001—Agreements signed

# VeriSign Agreement Update

- Rapid phase-in of new provisions
- .org transition
  - 31 December 2002 turn-over
  - \$5.0 million funding for non-profit operator by 2 October 2002
- Decisions required
  - New operator: selected/established?
  - If selected, how
  - Nature of operator's relationship with ICANN sponsored/unsponsored
  - Registry policies
- Proposed referral to DNSO, requesting interim report by 12 October 2001
- Decisions about operator by March 2002

### New TLD Implementation

- Status of agreements
  - .biz, .info signed 11 May 2001
  - .name, .pro basic agreement approved in Melbourne; subject to 7-day posting once final appendices completed
  - .aero, .coop, .museum
    - agreement terms under discussion
    - some drafts provided
    - sponsors preparing draft appendices
    - common issues plus some separate issues for each TLD

### New TLD Implementation

- Implementation schedule (.biz, .info)
  - biz started trademark claim program 21
    May 2001
  - info starts sunrise registrations late June
  - Land-rush registrations
  - Delegation of TLDs for testing/evaluation (no problems expected)
  - Resolution starts 1 September for .info, 1
    October for .biz

#### **New TLD Implementation**

- Re-accreditation of registrars
  - New form of agreement with riders
  - 80 registrars have signed
- Escrow program
- IETF provreg work ongoing
- Whois, performance reporting, etc.
- Public awareness
- TLD program evaluation